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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: EXPANSION OF VOLTAN SUGAR INDUSTRY

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1. A REPRESENTATIVE OF HAWAIIAN AGRONOMICS, PETER GLICK, CAME TO OUAGADOUGOU FOR A ONE-DAY VISIT ON FEBRUARY 18TH TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY THAT HIS COMPANY MIGHT PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING AND/OR BUILDING OF A SUGAR COMPLEX (PLANTATION& REFINER) ALONG THE SOUROU RIVER IN NORTHWESTERN UPPER VOLTA.

2. GLICK HAD MEETINGS WITH THE GOVERNMENT DECISION-MAKERS INVOLVED IN PLANNING THE PROJECT. BASED ON THE DATA PRESENTLY AVAILABLE (WHICH IS AMPLE), HE SAID THAT THE COMPANY IS EAGER TO BECOME INVOLVED

IN WHAT LOOKS TO HIM LIKE A ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT.

3. THERE IS ALREADY SOME ACTIVITY ON-SITE. THE WATER-GATE ON THE SOUROU RIVER NECESSARY FOR THE PROJECT IS ALMOST COMPLETED. FRANCE CONTRIBUTED ABOUT \$720,000 FOR ITS CONSTRUCTION. ALSO, AN EXPERIMENTAL STATION IS PRESENTLY TESTING FOUR TYPES OF SUGAR-CANE TO SEE WHICH GROWS BEST IN THE SOUROU VALLEY'S SOIL AND CLIMATE.

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